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My darling Loot:-

Received your darling letter of the 15th and I can assure you, it made me supremely happy. Any time I get discouraged, I just pull out your letters, read them over and feel better. They certainly act as a tonic for any depressed feeling that comes over me as they must, once in a while. If course I take care of my health. I'll try the best I can.

Yes my honey, we have had enough of separation. I can't do without you, that's all there is to it. If it wasn't so impossible for you to come down now, I can assure you, you would be here. First off, I must get settled down and then if I see the first possibility of calling for you, I'll sure do so. I'm pretty sure things will come our way. But it takes time, you know, without doubt that I'm in for a hard struggle, but that doesn't unnerve me, as I feel confident I can cope with any situation that present itself. The encouragement I am getting makes me feel a man once again. I get it from all sides, even my uncle. If course, I am taking things as they come and give each and everything its due weight and deliberation. I am just out to see what is best and through which way would be the nearest to your arrival. So don't you worry, honey, as I am taking care of myself and only hope you will be brave and courageous as you always have been. Don't forget, sweetheart, I want to remind you again, please go out and enjoy yourself as much as you can.

Sweetheart mine, don't worry about my "3 squares". My aunt is just the same. Still complaining over nothing at all and not making any meals. I don't rely on them for my food. If I go broke, I'll starve before I will eat there. I must always make a stab at it. I have my meals out in town and eat fairly well, but would give anything for home made cooking. Precious Loot, don't forget to learn how to make all I am fond of, for I am just craving for one of those good old home made meals.

Dr. Lazaar will examine me some time next week. He one is making out fine. Got quite a little money saved up. I belong to one of the lodges & to-morrow I will be proposed to two others, one of which carries insurance, $400 worth, I believe.

I am sorry to say that as yet I haven't seen the Isold's, but will do so as soon as I get settled. To-morrow I'm having dinner with the Lazaars (Mrs Lazaar I haven't seen yet) and then I am

going to the memorial exercises held at the Masonic Temple in memory of the deceased mason, with my uncle, who is a 32nd degree Mason. I met Herman Goldberger in town. He's home on a furlough.

I sincerely regret I don't write anything about the proposition with the biggest Jangro in town as I cannot see them at 4 P.M. and I don't want to miss the mail, but I'll write to-morrow if there is anything in it. I have such hope in it that I feel kind of elated. I only hope I can write some good news about it to-morrow.

I certainly was surprised to hear about the telegram. Anyway, it showed my precious wifie that I kept my word.

I received a letter from mawdear. Certainly am glad that everything is O.K. Billy wrote me that he wants me to look for an opening for him here. I certainly am doing that, as I would love to have him here, for I am sure he will be a success in this "lil ole town".

I will close now, precious sweetheart of mine, and wishing you pleasant dreams & a good big hug & kiss when you retire, my darling little Tootsie,

Everlovingly

Joe.